

Die Sabbati 28 Maii, 1642.

An Order of the Lords and Commons in Parliament, to the Sheriff of the County of Lancaster, and all other Sheriffs, and Lord-Lieutenants and Deputy Lieutenants in the Kingdome of England and Dominion of Wales.

WHereas it appears, That the King seduced by wicked Councell, intends to make Warre against the Parliament, and under the colour of a Guard, to secure His Royall Person, doth command Troops both of Horse, and Foot, to assemble at York: All which is against the Laws of the Kingdom, tending to the dissolution of the Parliament, and destruction of His People.

It is therefore Ordered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That the Sheriff of the County of *Lancaster*, and all other Sheriffs of the Kingdom of *England*, and Dominion of *Wales*, Shall by the power of that County, and of their severall Counties respectively, suppress the raising and coming together of any Souldiers, Horse, or Foot, by any Warrant, Commission, or Order from His Majesty, without the advice and consent of the Lords and Commons in Parliament; And that all Persons whatsoever, do forbear to execute any such Commission, or Warrant, for levying Souldiers, or gathering them together without consent of Parliament; And those who shall execute or obey any such Commission, or Warrant, are hereby declared to be disturbers of the Peace of the Kingdom. And the Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Lancaster*, and all other Lords Lieutenants of all other Counties in the Kingdom of *England*, or Dominion of *Wales*, respectively, As likewise all Deputy Lieutenants, Captains, and Officers of the Trained-Bands; And all Mayors, Justices of Peace, and other His Majesties loving Subjects, are hereby commanded and required to be ayding and assisting to the said Sheriff of the County of *Lancaster*; and to the other Sheriffs of the other Counties of this Kingdom, and of the Dominion of *Wales*: And that His Majesties loving Subjects may the better understand, what the Law, and their own duty is in this behalf. The said Sheriff of *Lancaster*, and other Sheriffs of the other Counties of this Kingdom, respectively, Shall cause this present Order, forthwith to be published in the severall Market Towns within their said Counties.

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